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PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: 3-13-2006 / 9:30 a.m.
Date/Time of Occurrence: 3-11-2006 / 8:54 a.m.
Nature of Call: Murder/Suicide
Location of Call: Tahoe City
Case Number: SO 06-3469
Released by: Lt. John Addoms (530) 581-6315

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

Sheriff's deputies responded with North Tahoe Fire Department personnel to a vehicle fire that uncovered an apparent domestic violence murder/suicide involving a Tahoe City couple.

On Saturday, March 11, at about 9:00 a.m., human remains were found in the driver's seat of the car after the fully engulfed vehicle parked on Bunker Drive in Tahoe City was extinguished. After interviewing witnesses, deputies drove to the home of the registered owner, which is less than a mile from the vehicle fire. Deputies forced entry into the home and found the female resident dead, the victim of an apparent homicide.

The investigation is ongoing and facts are continuing to unfold. The preliminary investigation indicates that her boyfriend murdered the woman and he subsequently committed suicide by using gasoline to set his vehicle on fire while sitting in the vehicle.

Both autopsies are schedule to be conducted this morning to establish cause of death. Identification of the male will have to be made by forensic means.

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